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THE

CHANNING HOME

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No. 30, McLean Street.

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BOSTON:
PRESS OF W. L. DELAND & SON
Congress Building, 4 Post-office Square.
1879.

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## OFFICERS FOR 1879.

### President.

SAMUEL A. GREEN, M. D.

### Directors.

CHARLES P. CURTIS. THEODORE METCALF.
SARAH G. CARY. SARAH E. REED.
SAMUEL A. GREEN.

### Treasurer.

THEODORE METCALF.

### Assistant Treasurer.

SARAH G. CARY.

### Clerk.

CHARLES P. CURTIS.

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A. L. MASON, M. D. JAMES B. AYER, M. D.
THOMAS M. ROTCH, M. D.

### Matron.

ELIZA McDONNELL.

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The Directors of the Channing Home submit the following Report for the year ending March 31, 1879.

The institution was first opened in Channing Street, in May, 1857, by Miss Harriet Ryan, who afterward became Mrs. Albee. It was her intention to make it a home for sick women, rather than a hospital, and it was her custom to admit chronic and incurable cases. In this respect it meets a want in the community that is not entirely filled by other institutions. And it will be the endeavor of the Managers to carry out the plan that she so nobly started. Some of the patients have been immates of the Home for years, and no pay is taken from any of them.

The present building, No. 30, McLean Street, was first occupied by the Home in May, 1870, and is well adapted to the purpose. It is light and airy, and situated in a quiet and unpaved street. Its position gives it some advantages of importance to the patients, and it is believed that they are more comfortable here than they would be in a larger hospital.

At the end of the last year (March 31, 1878,) there were fourteen patients in the Home. During the year twenty-seven have been admitted, sixteen have died, five have been discharged well, four have been discharged relieved, one not relieved, and one not treated. The number now remaining is fourteen, of which eleven are suffering from consumption, two from general debility, and one from cardiac disease.

The following tabular statement gives the diseases and results of all the cases that have been treated in the Home, since it was established twenty-two years ago, though it does not include the present patients.

| Disease. | Well. | Not Treated. | Eloped. | Not Relieved. | Relieved. | Much Relieved. | Died. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abscess | 2 | | | | | 1 | | 3 |
| Anæmia | 3 | | | | | 3 | | 6 |
| Aneurism | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Asthma | | | | | 2 | | | 2 |
| Bright's Disease | 1 | | | | | | 4 | 5 |
| Bronchitis | 3 | 2 | | | 4 | | 2 | 11 |
| Cancer | | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | 3 | 7 |
| Childbirth | 2 | | | | | | | 2 |
| Consumption | | 6 | 7 | 21 | 41 | 17 | 216 | 308 |
| Debility | 10 | 2 | | | 10 | 2 | 2 | 26 |
| Diarrhœa | 2 | | | | 1 | | 2 | 5 |
| Disease of Bladder | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | 3 |
| ,, ,, Bones | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 2 |
| ,, ,, Brain | | 1 | | | 2 | | | 3 |
| ,, ,, Eye | | | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| ,, ,, Heart | | | | | | 4 | 10 | 14 |
| ,, ,, Joints | 1 | | | | 4 | | | 5 |
| ,, ,, Liver | | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| ,, ,, Skin | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| ,, ,, Spine | | | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 |
| ,, ,, Uterus | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 4 | 2 | | 10 |
| Dysentery | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Dyspepsia | 3 | 1 | | | 3 | | | 7 |
| Epilepsy | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 2 |
| Erysipelas | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Fatty Tumor | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Hernia | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Hysteria | 2 | | | 2 | 4 | | | 8 |
| Injury of Face | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Lead Poisoning | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Nasal Catarrh | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Neuralgia | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | 3 |
| Ovarian Tumor | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Paralysis | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Pleurisy | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| Pneumonia | 6 | | | | | | 1 | 7 |
| Rheumatism | 9 | 1 | | | 2 | 2 | 4 | 18 |
| Scarlet Fever | 2 | | | | | | | 2 |
| Scrofula | 1 | | | | 2 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Syphilis | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Ulcers | 5 | | | | 3 | 1 | | 9 |
| Unclassified | 1 | 2 | | | | 1 | | 4 |
| Venereal Disease. | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Total | 63 | 20 | 9 | 28 | 92 | 41 | 253 | 506 |

Patients in the Home, March 31, 1879 . . . . . 14

Whole number of patients received since May 1, 1857 . . . . . 520

The Directors desire to return their thanks to the Hollis-Street Flower Mission and to the Cambridge Flower Mission for the bouquets sent to the patients; and they wish also to acknowledge the receipt of fruit, flowers, and other articles of comfort and luxury, from Miss Mary Shannon, of Newton.

The friends of the Home are invited to visit it, and to see for themselves the plan on which it is conducted. Any gifts for it may be sent to the Treasurer, Theodore Metcalf, No. 39, Tremont Street, or to the Home, No. 30, McLean Street.

The Directors also desire to acknowledge the ready and kind services rendered at all times by the physicians, as well as by the matron.

Boston, April 9, 1879.

THE CHANNING HOME *in acc't with* T. METCALF, *Treas.*

| 1878-9. DR. | |
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| To Balance from old account | $1,363.64 |
| ,, Interest from Mortgage Notes | 937.50 |
| ,, ,, Old Colony and Newport R. R. Bonds | 270.00 |
| ,, Dividends, Boston Gas Co. | 800.00 |
| ,, ,, Boston & Albany Railroad | 144.00 |
| ,, ,, Philadelphia, Balt., & Wilmington R. R. | 692.00 |
| ,, ,, Fitchburg Railroad | 275.00 |
| ,, Annual Subscriptions | 490.00 |
| ,, ,, ,, Miss Cary | 50.00 |
| ,, Donations, Waldo Flint | 15.00 |
| ,, ,, Mrs. W. D. Pickman | 20.00 |
| ,, ,, Miss Wigglesworth | 20.00 |
| ,, ,, Mrs. J. T. Coolidge | 25.00 |
| ,, ,, Miss Minot | 5.00 |
| ,, ,, Mrs. C. G. Brooks | 50.00 |
| ,, ,, Mrs. John W. James | 50.00 |
| ,, Interest on Miss Arabella Rice's Bequest | 113.56 |
| ,, ,, Detroit & Hillsdale Railroad Scrip | 22.40 |
| | $5,343.10 |

| 1878-9. CR. | |
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| By Expenses of Home | $3,300.00 |
| ,, Faris Annuity | 150.00 |
| ,, Printing Report and Advertising | 18.40 |
| ,, Five Shares Fitchburg Railroad and Interest | 501.25 |
| ,, Balance to new account | 1,373.45 |
| | $5,343.10 |

There have been no changes in the investments since the last Report, though five shares of Fitchburg Railroad stock have been added to the general funds.

E. & O. E. THEODORE METCALF, *Treasurer.*

BOSTON, April 9, 1879.

Examined and approved, { SAMUEL A. GREEN. CHARLES P. CURTIS.

## LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS TO THE CHANNING HOME.

The Directors gratefully acknowledge the receipt, during the past year, of money from the following persons, for the use of the Home: —

Mrs. Henry W. Abbot.
Mrs. Henry B. Adams.
Mr. James M. Barnard.
Dr. George A. Bethune.
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Bowditch.
Mrs. Frederic H. Bradlee.
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Mrs. John Homans.
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Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw.
Mrs. Frederick Stone.
Mrs. George Ticknor.
Mrs. James Tolman.
Miss Rebecca P. Wainwright.
Miss Mary Ann Wales.
Mrs. P. H. Wentworth.
Mrs. Andrew C. Wheelwright.

In addition to the above, a large number of gifts of flowers, fruits, &c., have been received and acknowledged at the Home.

SAMUEL A. GREEN,
*President.*